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SUBJECT: NATURAL RESOURCES MINISTER TO TAKE OVER PART
OF CHIEF MINISTER S WORK

1. PRESS APRIL 30 REPORTED BRUCE JEPHCOTT, MINISTER FOR
NATURAL RESOURCES, WILL BECOME THE MINISTER ASSISTING THE
CHIEF MINISTER WHILE RETAINING HIS DUTIES AS NATURAL
RESOURCES MINISTER. HE WILL BE CALLED SPECIAL PROJECTS
MINISTER AND WILL ALSO HAVE PRESENT TITLE.

2. PRESS REPORTED THAT THE APPOINTMENT IS BEING MADE TO
EASE THE WORKLOAD OF THE CHIEF MINISTER. PRESS POINTED OUT
THAT JEPHCOTT IS THE ONLY EXPATRIATE IN THE CABINET AND
COMMENTED THAT APPOINTMENT IS SURPRISING IN VIEW OF HIGH
PRIORITY ACCORDED TO LOCALIZATION OF CHIEF MINISTER S
OFFICE.

3. COMMENT: OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION OF THIS REPORT IS
EXPECTED.
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